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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: BRIXIUS-8

In re Application of:

**WOLFGANG BRIXIUS et al.** 

**Examiner: Crawford, Gene O** Appl. No.: 10/789,197

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## THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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**Group Art Unit: 3651** 

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references A) to C). Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

	Country:	Patent or Appl. No:	Patentee or Applicant:	Issue or Filing Date:
A)	USA	US 4 746 003	Yu et al.	05-24-1988
B)	USA	US 4 598 815	Adama	07-08-1986
C)	PCT	WO 00/59811	Gebhardt	10-12-2000

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A copy of reference C) is submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

- [] This Information Disclosure Statement is filed within three months of the filing date of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 1.53(d), so that no fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 is due. [] This Information Disclosure Statement is filed within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 1.491 in an international application, so that no fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 is due. [X] This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, so that no fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 is due. [] This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under §1.114, so that no fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 is due. [] This Information Disclosure Statement is filed after the issuance of a first office but before issuance of a final action under §1.113, or a notice of allowance under §1.311. [] This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted after the mailing of a final action or a notice of allowance, but before payment of the issue fee. [] The undersigned submits the following statement requesting consideration of this statement: The undersigned hereby states:
- [] That each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement;
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foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the statement after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

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In addition, applicant notes with respect to any information that is not in English language as follows:

Reference C) describes points for a feeding system, especially a gravity roller table, for turning round material to be conveyed in a level from one main feeder to an auxiliary feeder which bifurcates from the main feeder. The points consist of a group of interacting modules that are especially individually actuated. Each module comprises a pillow block (20, 120), a fork (30, 130) that is pivotably accommodated in the pillow block and around a vertical axis and a roller body (40, 140) that is pivotably mounted in the fork and around a horizontal axis and that partly forms the support for the material to be conveyed (10). The points can be switched from the straight to the turn-round position and vice versa by accordingly pivoting the forks (30, 130) and thereby the roller body (40, 140). The forks and thereby the roller body are lifted into the turn-round position as opposed to the straight position by means of a lifting mechanism which inevitably enters into action when the fork is pivoted from the straight position into the turn-round position.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

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Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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